

## Yakima county

Yakima county's new rulers took their oath of office on Monday and filed their bonds.

The new board of county commissioners was in session Monday and Tuesday, fixing the emoluments of the various deputies.

As is generally known but one fusionist remains, County School Superintendent Plumb. The new commissioners are Messrs Horsley and Eglin, who with the holdover members Matthews, constitute the board.

Sheriff H.L. Tucker's bond for \$5,000 by a surety company was approved. He was allowed two deputies, Messrs Sindall and Lum at \$60 per month.

~~Sealed~~ County Treasurer W.R. Dudley's bond by a surety company for \$40,000 was approved. He was allowed one deputy, Mr. Peck at \$50 and extra help by C.E. Donovan for awhile.

Auditor E.E. Kelso's bond for \$5,000 was approved with Kelso Bros. and J.H. Hubbard as sureties. He was allowed Thomas Dingle at \$50 per month and extra help as needed at \$2 per diem.

County Clerk Allen was allowed a deputy till the first of April at \$50 per month, J.R. Coe acting in that capacity. His bond for \$5,000 was approved with William Stobie and wife, George A. Mathieson and wife and Morris Sisk and wife as surities.

County Assessor Robert Scott had his bond approved for \$3,000. He was allowed deputies to be hereafter named at \$2.50 per day.

The treasurer deems his deputy too small an allowance for office and responsibility and he will make up the deficiency out of his own pocket.

County Attorney J.J. Rudkin's bond for \$5,000 was approved. Commissioner Horsley was elected chairman of the new board.

The Sisters at St Elizabeth hospital were awarded the contract for caring for the county poor.

A.B. Simmons was paid one dollar for two coyote scalps.

Yakima Herald, Jan 12, 1899.

## County Prosecutor

On Friday last the county commissioners, as foreshadowed by The Herald, appointed I.P. Englehart prosecuting attorney to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Glenn Dudley (ill) Mr. Englehart was supported by Commissioners Nelson Rich and Joseph Stephenson: Commissioner Kandle favoring J.A. Rochford, it being held that Mr. Rochford was eligible owing to there having been a lapse of 15 days after the expiration of his second term and the time when the office was again vacant.

Mr. Englehart qualified and entered upon the discharge of his duties the same day--Yakima Herald, Feb 7, 1895.

Glenn G. Dudley of Kennewick, who was elected prosecuting attorney of Yakima county at the last general election and who resigned a couple of weeks ago owing to his continued sickness, died at Walla Walla on Feb 7 of pneumonia. Mr. Dudley was but 28 years of age. He was a resident of this state but three years and formerly lived at Tonawanda, N.Y. where he practiced law. His remains will be taken to Wisconsin where his parents live, for burial--Yakima Herald, Feb. 14, 1895.



## County

The matter of salaries of county officers is in considerable of a muddle. The officers have been drawing their salaries on the basis of being a county of the 22nd class but the prosecuting attorney held that it was of the 23rd and Auditor Ellis issued the warrants with the understanding .

The various officials refused to accept the cut and in order to settle the question applied to Judge Bloomfield for a mandamus to compel the auditor to issue the warrants under the head of the 22nd class. This was refused by the judge who held that in the absence of official returns of the census, the report of a population of 4455 on which the legislative apportionment was made , should be held.

The petitioners at the time had a telegram from Superintendent Porter putting the population of Yakima county at 5852 , which would place us in the 20th class, but this was not allowed in evidence as Porter's figures include the Indians on the reservation and it is a question if they will count in the classification.

According to Judge Bloomfield's ruling the cut in salaries is as follows: Auditor from \$1,400 to \$1,200; sheriff, \$1,400 to \$1,200; clerk \$1,200 to \$1,000; treasurer \$1,200 to \$800; prosecuting attorney, \$600 to \$400; school superintendent \$400 to \$350.--Yakima Herald, October 15, 1891.

Taxes.

County Government

In the matter of levy of taxes for the year 1885  
mills was decided upon 2 1-2 for territorial revenue; 1-4 of one  
mill for territorial penitentiary revenue; 7 mills for county  
revenue, 3 1-2 mills for school revenue, two mills for road and  
one and one-half mills for roads and bridges, payable in advance.

For each male inhabitant over 21 years and under 50 a poll tax of  
\$2 and a road tax of \$4 is assessed.. Commissioner's court.

The Yakima Signal, North Yakima Yakima County W.T. August 2,  
1885.

County--Township

Owing to the fact that the township organization amendment did not receive a majority of all votes cast at the general election, the county commissioners, at a meeting held in the courthouse this morning, adjudged the proposition lost and decided to take no further action toward township organization in Yakima county.-  
Yakima Republic, Nov. 18, 1910.



## Townships--Granges

The grangers of Grandview have started a strong movement for the installation in Yakima county of a system of township organization similar to the one now in use in Spokane county and the indications are that a strong fight for the change will be made this fall.

A petition has been drawn requested the county commissioners to submit the question of such organization to the voters at the general fall elections.

The movement is one which has attained considerable prominence in this state by reason of its taking from the county commissioners many of their powers in connection with the building of county roads and it has had considerable opposition from county commissioners generally for that reason--Yakima Republic, August 26, 1910.

## Elections

On last Tuesday as the anti-monopoly Republicans and Democrats marched to the polls in Yakima and cast their votes for Voorhees and popular rights it was apparent at once that this county at least had not forgotten the outrage committed at Seattle on the fifth of last August when the so-called Republican convention gave notice to all concerned that no advocate of the forfeiture of unearned railroad funds had a right to participate in the deliberations of the Republican party.

It was then only a question as to whether the same spirit prevailed in other parts of the territory. The indications up to the hour of going to press leave scarcely a doubt that Voorhees has been elected by a large majority.

The actual residents of Yakima county gave Voorhees about 204 majority. The illegal votes cast at Prosser precinct by Mormon laborers and other non resident railroad builders reduced the majority of the citizens to about 134. The citizens also elected their anti-monopoly candidates for all of the county offices and these non tax paying railroad hands, who have never seen our county seat and who never would see it if the railroad were not going to be built through it, have in many instances overturned the people's majorities.

Kittitas county gave Voorhees 206 majority, Reavis the people's candidate for Joint Councilman 41 majority; Cooke (Joint representative) 403; Dustin, prosecuting attorney 126 majority; Packwood, sheriff 123 majority, Peterson, auditor ~~40~~ 531 majority and thus registers its condemnation of those who attended the Seattle convention and assisted in unseating the duly elected delegates from this county. The supporters of such men as Shoudy and ~~See~~ Stabler have heard something drop.

Klickitat county gave Voorhees 237 majority , Dustin 370;  
R.O. Dunbar for representative 101 majority; E.B. Wise for  
sheriff 226 majority; W.R. Dunbar for probate judge 463  
majority; and Howard, assessor 130 majority; J.T. Eshelman, treasurer  
236 majority.

Walla Walla county, as far as heard from, also gives a majority for  
Voorhees and popular rights...Yakima Signal, a weekly devoted to  
current news and free discussion. Yakima, Yakima County W.T.  
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## Elections

County election. Precincts only (names and votes omitted. )

Yakima precinct

Ahtanum

Cowychoc

Wenas

Simcoe

Moxee

Parker

Alder Creek

Hooded Horn

Bedrock

Prosser

The Yakima Signal, Nov. 8, 1884.

A proposition was submitted to the Board of Trade at the meeting Friday evening for erection of a cannery at North Yakima. C.W. Henry acting for a firm now engaged in the canning business at Connaught, Ohio, proposed to construct buildings, put in machinery here with a capacity for turning out 10,000 two pound cans per day and to cost \$25,000, providing a lot with a frontage of two hundred feet on the railroad track and three thousand dollars was given as a bonus. The committee appointed will secure the necessary subscriptions. *nr 2 1859*



The Flora De Moxee, the first of the Yakima cigars have been placed  
on sale at Allen and Chapman's and are meeting with much favor among the  
lovers of the soothing weed. 7-4-89

A.S. Paul has taken possession of the Ross planing mill  
and will engage in the manufacture of fruit boxes. Already he has  
orders for 20,000 boxes. G-18-41



H .B. Scudder is daily expecting the new butter machine  
by which sweet milk is poured in one end and comes out gilt-edged  
butter at the other. 6-19-90

Hugo Sigmund has again embraced his old calling and has  
opened a shop in his building on Second street. 10-16-90



One of the most attractive displays of apples it has been  
our fortune to feast our eyes upon was presented to The Herald  
this week by S. V. Hughes who has one of the best orchards in this

County

I find that Sheriff D.E. Lesh collected on the delinquent tax roll of 1883 \$17.73 and paid same into treasurer.

On delinquent roll of 1884 the sheriff collected \$485.56, paid into treasury \$459; in 1885 the sheriff collected on delinquent tax roll \$497, paid into the treasury \$491.24; in 1886 the sheriff collected on delqt. roll \$2,942.95, paid into treasury \$2,853.46; on delqt. roll of 1887 the sheriff paid into the treasury \$5,710 and collected \$5,866.18 on delqt. tax roll and on delqt. roll of 1888 the sheriff collected \$6,519.45 and paid into the treasury \$6,482.

The sheriff collected as poll taxes on the above rolls for all years \$1079 and holds receipts for the same as per schedule L of this report.

J.A. Splawn, treasurer collected on delinquent roll of 1885 \$88.67 which has not yet been paid into the treasury and is still due the county.

I examined the record licenses of the county and find that for the year 1888 the sum of \$850 was collected for liquor license and none during the years 1887 and 1887

In regard to the school lands leased by the county commissioners I find that the sum of \$1,008.50 has been paid into the treasury but the auditor's office can find only receipts on file for \$142.50 and no record of said lands leased or monies received entered in the book of school leases in said auditor's office for the years 1887, 1888 and 1889 as per schedule O.

Have examined the various dockets of the justices of the peace of North Yakima and all fines and taxes by Justices Weck, Milroy and Weed have been paid into the treasury.

Have also examined all territorial criminal cases tried in Yakima county, since the fire of 1882, up to 1890 in which convictions were



obtained and find from the records in the clerk's and auditor's office that the amount still due Yakima county is \$3,809.48 as per schedule T of this report.

The money in treasury, March 1, 1887, total amount \$22,109.45; gross earnings \$7,036 including \$20 ferry license, \$1,150 liquor license, \$38 stallion license, fines and costs \$703; sales of estrays \$10.48; teachers institute #38, survey of roads \$20; poll tax \$1,847, . Included taxes 1883, \$17.77; taxes 1884, \$459.15; taxes 1885, \$567.19; 1886, \$3,353.89; 1887 migratory \$184; 1887 Splawn \$17,449.71.

Paid for territorial tax \$3,586.50; penitentiary tax \$11; county warrants \$21,651.07; roads and bridges \$3,689.59; jail \$1,815.35; special current expense \$2,078; school district 1 \$217.50; school district 2, \$300; school district 7, \$900; school district 21 \$275.82; general school \$10,476; road No 1, \$19.30; road no. 5 \$12.50; Road No. 7 \$28.15; returning to F Seiger for tax \$7.40; treasurer's percentage \$2,086.06. Expended \$49,757.47; amount of money in treasury November, 1888 \$11,042 75.

Statement of finances November 1, 1888 to March 1, 1889: Expended \$37,366.27; amount in treasurer \$55,921.08. Kate F. Tylee, submitted . Kate F. Tyler, county expert to make report, approved by the board on Monday, third day of February, 1890: Present Daniel Sinclair, J.M. Brown and Joseph Stephenson, chairman, commissioners; D.E. Lesh, sheriff and Matt Bartholet, auditor. Yakima Herald, February 13, 1890.



D.G. Sinclair has been appointed county commissioner. Vice John Cleman resigned. Mr. Sinclair is a pioneer resident of this county and his general worth and ability is indicative that he will make an excellent commissioner.--Yakima Herald, November 7 , 1889.

The county commissioners have decided to continue the boring  
for artesian water in the H<sub>r</sub>se He ven country. The well is down  
500 feet and contains water but has not yet reached the flowing state.

G-3-91

Although the tax rate in Yakima County is lower than in any other country in Washingt~~n~~ territory, it is to be still further reduced this year. The assessed valuation of property in Kilckitat county in 1888 was \$1,740,948 and the present year shows an increase of \$179,382. over that amount

8-15-89



County The actual indebtedness of Yakima county on October 3  
after deducting cash on hand and credits was found to be  
\$149,166.01. -Yakima Herald, November 10, 1892.